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Farm and Household.

Points About Milking

It is not a paradox to say that there are several ways of milking cows, says The English Dairy World. The best way is that which obtains the maximum quantity of milk. To this end, therefore, the dairy farmer is bound to regard the operation of milking as one of the greatest importance and one which involves cer tain actions, all of them simple, some of which, to the man who does not under stand cows, may even appear childish As an instance we may mention that the Normandy milkmaid is taught from her childhood always to sing softly to the cow she is milking. The object, of course, to keep the animal in good humor, to induce her to forget that she is being milked, and, sensitive creature that she is, to prevent her from keeping back her milk Indeed the beneficial effect of music on the flow of milk is by many thought so great that we have heard an American dairy farmer sericusly say that it would pay the owner of a large herd to employ a band to discourse sweet music during milking time.

Apart, however. from hypothetical consideration, there are others which should be always carefully followed. Remembering the fact that the mammary glands are particularly active during the actual period of milking, it is of importance that the act of milking be continuous, without intermission from the beginning to the end. Gently pressing the cow's flank with his head, the milkman should firmly grasp with his hands teats which are diagonally opposite. They should be graspthe udder. The motion of each hand should then be alternately upward and downward. The milking should be slow at first, then gradually accelerated, until a quick motion has been attained which should be continued rhythmically to the end of the flow of milk.

The importance of milking to dryness cannot be too strongly impressed when it is remembered that the milk which is last down contains the largest proportion of butter fat.

A person who is not gentle to cows should never be allowed to milk them. Nor is their sensitiveness to be forgotten. The milkman who does not walk straight up to a cow in a field, but who makes a detour to reach her, is a man who fully appreciates the timidity of the dairy cow.

The foregoing considerations relate to the quantity of milk to be obtained. regards the milk actually yielded, the most important factor is that of clean.iness, though it is the one perhaps the lest considered. The milker should always wash his hands carefully, as well as, the cow's teats. before milking. It is better also to waste the first few jets of milk which issue from the udder and which may contain deleterious bacteria than to run the risk of spoiling the amount kept by obtaining a slightly larger quantity of milk.

One Way to Keep Squash.

Squashes and sweet potatoes are of a similar nature and require the same care in storing away. For keeping purposes the round squashes with deep scallops are as good a variety as I have found. Leave the squashes on the vine until cool weather, but do not let them freeze. After taking them from the vines keep them in a dry airy place for about a month so that they will thoroughly dry out. Then select only those in perfect condition and wrap each separately in paper, place in barrels or boxes and keep in a dry sunny room where they will not freeze. An upstairs room over a room where a fire is kept is an ideal place, says an Ohio Farmer correspondent.

Every woman who lives on a farm should be provided with a good, "gentle driving horse and buggy for her own special use, so that when she has a little sell my interest in the Mill at Gagetown leisure she may get out and away, and take a little breathing spell. She will enand Belts are the best. A 48 inch inserted | joy driving through the green country lanes, she will delight in seeing the growing crops, and perhaps calling upon some neighbor for a visit, and she will return home to her work revived mentally and physically. Just such little outing which a driving horse of her very own makes it possible for her to take, when she is too weary to think of taking a walk, will tone I have opened a branch Drug Store on her up and give color and brightness to an otherwise dull, monotonous life. And vet I know many woman whose labor and thrift has helped to accumulate a fine property, whose life long desire for a driving horse of their own still remains ungrati fied, simply because the husband is too much consumed with a greed of gain to keep anything on the farm that does not increase the income in dollars and cents. And when a woman has to depend upon the grudgingly given services of an old, worn-out work horse for her recreation, her outings will be very likely to be few and far between.

Breaking a Sitter.

When a hen wishes to sit she is usually fat. If you break her she will lay five or six eggs and become broody again. Let her get rid of her fat. Give her one egg, let her stay on the nest two weeks, give must break her, however, get a coup with dry one for the majority of goods. a slat door, slat sides and open everywhere. Let it be raised a foot from the COOK'S SURE COUGH CURE

ground. Place the coop in an exposed locasion, where she can see everything around her. Being disturbed and not being able to warm her airy nest, she gives up in disgust.

Just a Guess.

"Er-h'm!-my dear children," rather pompously began old Mr. Tubman, standing before an assembly of school children he had been asked to edify. "I have been requested to say a few words to you and I am complying, with the hope that a brief statement of the life of one who has trodden many weary miles along the highway of existence may be of profit to

you who are just entering that highway. "I was seventy-four years old last March, four year beyond the three-score and ten allotted to man for his years upon earth. During all those years I havebut before I tell you the few and simple but potent rules of life which I have always followed, how many of you can guess why it is that I have been permitted to live so long in this beautiful world?"

And the dear little innocents replied in one voice, "because the good die young!"

Cook's Fenetrating Plasters.

The Child's Real Home.

It is atmosphere that childhood most wants, a kindly veil that separates its private life from the stirring public. But the ideal is to have the power of reservavation extended. A house set out against a sidewalk must have very peculiar qualities within it to render it individual in character. How quickly one's heart goes out to some pretty structure nestled back among trees, with grass and flowers as a ed sufficiently high to slightly compress foreground and approached by a winding walk which seems to suggest that strangers are not easily admitted into the sanctuary beyond.

The passionate love of a child for a tree is something that not every one understands. If he is happy enough to own a yard and a tree, nature is his foster mother, and if orphaned elsewhere he finds a home. Perhaps most of us would find on looking back that some of our happiest recollections cluster about a spot where trees, water and grass made the beauty and pleasure of the scene.

And if we may not do more to meet the instinctive child longing for nature's companionship let us give him a garden planted in a box. With seeds, roots and earth he may persuade himself that he is a landowner.' A living pet, too, is an important element of home life. There is such reality, such a suggestion of primitive, simple existence, about the domestic animals that they often comfort a chiid when the world becomes too hard for him to understand.

Farm Wells.

At this season of the year there is great danger of the average farm well becom ing contaminated, for bugs, crickets, small worms, etc., seem especially inclined to creep under loose well platforms, thence fall into the water. We have year. The offer is also open to old sublooked into wells in which the surface of the water was almost covered with crickets and grasshoppers in all stages of decomposition and the water had a sort of a rancid-butter taste, yet was being used right along because there was no other available supply.

To remove bruises from furniture: Heat and moisture combined will raise dents that have not fractured the fibre of the wood. Lay several thicknesses of cloth wet with warm water upon a bruise and place upon or hold near the cloth a warm but not too hot iron, to maintain warmth in the wet cloth. A few applications of this will swell the wood to its natural condition. If the varnish is seared white, rub with oil and alcohol.

A child of five is not too young to begin gymnastics and a woman is never too old to take them up-for a woman is as young as she feels-and indulging in gymnastics makes one feel young, as well as actually renewing and prolonging life. Two hours a week gymnastics for eight months in the year, with bicycling, rowing, etc., in the remaining month, should be followed by every woman who wishes to keep strong and happy.

Household Hints.

Sweet oil with a little vinegar added will restore the lustre to the leather

Boiled starch is improved by the addition of a little sperm salt or gum arabic dissolved.

flannel bag having separate compartments for each knife. Silver can be kept clean without a weekly cleaning if carefully washed with

Ivory-handled knives should be kept in

hot soap suds each time it is used. Iron pots should not be allowed to become red hot as it makes them rough, and they do not retain the heat so well

afterward. The secret of household economy lies in giving careful supervision to all household supplies, and in the judicious use

of the left-overs.

Canned fruit and vegetables should be removed from the cans as soon as they are opened, this is of special importance during the warm weather.

An old silk handkerchief makes thebest her plenty of water, feed her once in two duster for polished surfaces, and a slightdays, and then break her up. If you ly dampened dust cloth is better than a

Patent Report.

Below will be found a list of patents recently granted by the Canadian government through Messrs. Marion & Marion, Solicitors of Patents & Experts, New York Life Building, Montreal.

64,676-Henry James Bickle, Gladstone, Man. Cattle guard for railroad

64,698-Daniel Ferguson, Springhill, N. S. Process for canning smashed po-

64,758-David Roy, Quebec, P. Q.

64,759 -- J. B. Hogue. Montreal, P. Q. 64,764-James Wilson, Glen Cross,

64,756-Jos. Victor Monfette, Ste. Sophie de Levrard, P. Q. Device for handling stones. 64,798-V. Lebault & A Dorais, St.

Man. Hay loader.

Laurent, Co. Jacques Cartier. Acetylene gas generator. In a railroad train-Two men discuss-

ing a book that had just been offered to them by the newsboy. First man-That's a great book, sir-

a masterpiece of work. Second man -- I wonder how it is sell-

First man -Selling like hot cakes. Never saw anything like it. You see, I am the publisher, and ought to know.

Second man-Your information de-

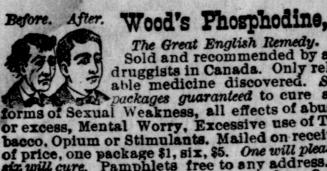
lights me. I am the author. First man (with fallen countenance)-Well-that-is-it hasn't had much of a sale yet, but I think it will have. Big risk, you know, bringing out this sort of

Nova Scotia Crops.

HALIFAX, Nov. 17 .- The government crop for Nova Scotia says: Total yield of hay is behind crop of 1898: the oat crop has reached 110, as compared with 84 last year. Wheat stands 104 as compared with 99. Barley stands 100 as compared with 89. Rye 98, as compared with 96 Buckwheat, 98, as compared with 86. Beans 96, as compared with 90. Peas fall slightly behind last year. Potatoes 109, as compared with 68 Mangels and turnips fairly good. The fruit crop far exceeded anticipation in the early part of the season.

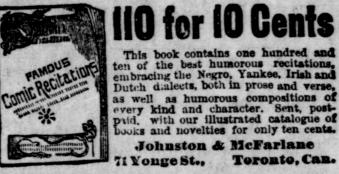
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